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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 60 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 60 day(s).

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Notice of Allowability

Application No.	Applicant(s)			
10/536,828	KITABATAKE ET AL.			
Examiner	Art Unit			
Abul Kalam	2814			

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative

- of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.
- 1. This communication is responsive to amendments filed January 27, 2010.
- 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6 and 17-20.
- 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

6.

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Attachment(s)

- 1. | Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08).
- Paper No./Mail Date 4. T Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application
- Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date
- 7. X Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- 8. X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 9. ☐ Other .

/Wael M Fahmy/

Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2814

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-4 and 17-20 are allowable. The restriction requirement between species, as set forth in the Office action mailed on April 13, 2007, has been reconsidered in view of the allowability of claims to the elected invention pursuant to MPEP § 821.04(a). The restriction requirement is hereby withdrawn as to any claim that requires all the limitations of an allowable claim. Claims 5 and 6, directed to a non-elected species, are no longer withdrawn from consideration because the claims requires all the limitations of an allowable claim. However, claims 12-14, directed to another non-elected species, are withdrawn from consideration because they do not require all the limitations of an allowable claim.

In view of the above noted withdrawal of the restriction requirement, applicant is advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application.

Once a restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided Application/Control Number: 10/536,828

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by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 12-14 directed to a species non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 12-14 have been cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-6 and 17-20 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With respect to claims 1-6 and 17-20, the prior art of record neither anticipates nor renders obvious all the limitations of the base claim 1, including, a semiconductor apparatus comprising: a semiconductor chip, a first and second base material, and a heat conducting member, wherein the heat conducting member and the second base material are disposed on the upper surface of the chip and the first base material is connected to a lower surface of the chip; wherein an ohmic electrode is disposed on an entire surface of the lower surface of the chip; wherein a first intermediate member made of an electrically conductive material and a second intermediate member are provided between the first base material and the chip, and an area where the second intermediate member touches the lower surface of the chip is larger than an area where the first intermediate member touches the lower surface of the chip. Claims 2-6 and 17-20 depend from claim 1, and thus, are also allowed for the same reasons.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abul Kalam whose telephone number is 571-272-8346.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wael M. Fahmy can be reached on 571-272-1705. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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